

c.) Remarks

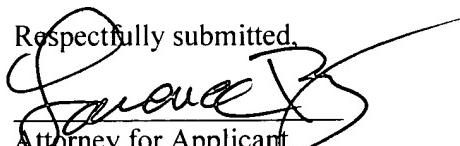
Claims 26-28 and 30-32 are objected to as depending from a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. The Examiner's assistance in expediting prosecution of this application, by examining separately the subject matter of these dependent claims, is gratefully acknowledged.

Claims 23-26 and 29 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to be supported by an enabling disclosure. Although this rejection is respectfully traversed, solely in order to reduce the issues, claims 23-25 have been amended to recite the features of allowable claim 26. Accordingly, this rejection is mooted.

In view of the above amendment, Applicants submit that all of the Examiner's concerns are now overcome and the claims are now in allowable condition. Accordingly, prompt allowance and passage to issue are earnestly solicited.

Claims 23-25, 28, 29 and 32-36 remain presented for continued prosecution.

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